Cotton Cultivation in Andhra Pradesh

676. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total area under cotton cultivation in Andhra Pradesh during the years 1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87;

(b) whether it is a fact that the area under cotton cultivation in Andhra Pradesh has been decreasing continuously;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the measures taken by Government to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA):

(a) and (b) Table below gives area under cotton cultivation in Andhra Pradesh during the past few years:—

(Lakh Hectares)

Year	Area
1983-84	4.77
1984-85	5.54
1985-86	6.00

on the basis of preliminary assessment, the area is assessed to be about 3.71 lakh hectares for 1986-87.

It is evident that the area under cotton cultivation in Andhra Pradesh has not been decreasing continuously; on the other hand it had shown increasing tendency upto the year 1985-86.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Schemes for Poultry, Sheep and Piggery Development

677. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA:
SHRI TALARI MANOHAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to sponsor some schemes/projects on poultry, sheep and piggery development in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of the proposals and the amount earmarked for those schemes/projects; and

(c) the details of such scheme, if any, already sponsored and the amount already spent thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government have approved the proposals in respect of the following schemes for implementation during Seventh Five Year Plan:

(i) A Central Sector Scheme to subsidise differential rate of interest on capital investment in cold storages. Under this scheme, it is proposed to subsidise upto a maximum of 8 per cent per annum with a ceiling upto Rs. 5.00 lakhs on the interest payable on the bank credit on the capital investments in favour of State level Poultry Corporations/Federations and similar other organisations. The proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has not been received.

(ii) A Central Sector Scheme for the establishment of Backward Poultry Production Units for the benefit of rural poor and providing employment opportunities to women in backward, tribal and other remote areas. The beneficiaries of the scheme shall be only women from rural poor in backward, tribal and other remote areas. Rs. 3.3 lakhs has been earmarked in favour of Andhra Pradesh in this scheme. The proposal from the State Government has not received.

(iii) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme to provide financial assistance to National and State level

Poultry Corporations/Federations and other similar organisations to streamline marketing of eggs and poultry and supply of feed. It is envisaged to provide matching financial assistance (50:50 basis) to the respective State level Poultry Corporations/Federations and similar other organisations and on 100% basis to the National level organisations. A ceiling of grant for any State would be Rs. 20 lakhs. However, the proposal from the State Government has not been received.

(iv) It is proposed to sponsor "Organisation of Wool Board". During Seventh Five Year Plan an amount of Rs. 10 lakhs has been earmarked as equity share capital for the Organisation of Wool Board in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh will provide matching amount as equity share in order to provide modern marketing facilities.

(v) The proposal for Strengthening of large Sheep Breeding Farm, Mamidially has been received from Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(c) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Special Livestock Breeding Programme (SLBP) on 50:50 basis earlier known as Special Livestock Production Programme is in operation in selected 18 districts of Andhra Pradesh since Fifth Five Year Plan and is continuing during the Seventh Five Year Plan. The Special Livestock Breeding Programme, *inter-alia*, provides setting up of sheep, poultry and piggery production units by small and marginal farmers and agriculture labourers through a mix of subsidy and loan. During 1986-87, an amount of Rs. 47.194 lakhs was released as Central share. For the year 1987-88, an amount of Rs. 51.00 lakhs has already been released as first instalment of Central share of funds to the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Construction of Godowns in Andhra Pradesh

673. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of godowns and their locations in Andhra Pradesh as on date;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to construct more godowns in Andhra Pradesh during 1987-88; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) As on 30-6-1987, the number of owned and hired storage depots with Food Corporation of India (FCI) and Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) together, was 157 in Andhra Pradesh. A statement showing the locations of these depots is attached. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The FCI is at present constructing a storage capacity of 1.10 lakh tonnes in Andhra Pradesh at 3 centres. In addition, the CWC also propose to construct godowns at 12 centres in Andhra Pradesh.

Statement

Locations of FCI/CWC godowns as on 30-6-1987 in the State of Andhra Pradesh

S. No.	Locations of storage depots
CENTRAL WAREHOUSING CORPORATION	
1.	Warangal
2.	Jangaon
3.	Guntur
4.	Nizamabad
5.	Adoni
6.	Hyderabad
7.	Duggirala
8.	Vijayawada
9.	Sarangpur